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CAROTENOID

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RESPONSE / AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

July 30, 2009

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 3, 2009, the following amendments and remarks are provided.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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